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INTERVIEW SUMMARY RECORD

Pursuant to the Rules, Applicants hereby acknowledge a series of informal telephone interviews conducted with Examiners Hong Liu, James Wilson, and Richard Raymond concerning the above-identified case between June 25, 2004 and July 2, 2004.

Applicants appreciate the courtesy and thoughtful consideration provided by each of the Examiners handling the prosecution of the instant application. Applicants request withdrawal of the rejection of claims 3-5, 7, and 9 and rejoinder of presently withdrawn claims 16-26, 43-130, 133-146, 154, 155, and 162 in view of the following outcomes reached during the discourse conducted in the telephone interview with Examiners Liu and Raymond.

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During the course of interviews with Examiner Richard Raymond, Examiner Raymond indicated to the undersigned that claims 3-5, 7 and 9, as presently amended, are patentable over the compounds of the cited art. More particularly, Examiner Raymond agreed with the argument originally presented in the Response After Final Action dated May 3, 2004, that the compounds of Hori, which have a benzyl residue at the R₁ position, do not anticipate the compounds of claim 3, in which R₁ may be a C₁₋₄alkyl.

Claims 16-26, 43-130, 133-146, 154, 155, and 162 were previously withdrawn from consideration as directed to non-elected species. Applicants request rejoinder of the withdrawn claims upon an indication that claim 3 is patentable over the cited art.

Applicants believe that the application is in a condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited. However, if rejoinder of the previously withdrawn claims results in one or more new grounds of rejection, applicants provisionally request withdrawal of the finality of the last action and reconsideration of the claims.

Applicants believe that additional fees or extensions of time are not required in connection with the consideration of this submission. However, if for any reason an extension of time is required, this is a provisional petition for the necessary extension of time. Moreover, if for any reason a fee is required, a fee paid is inadequate or credit is owed for any excess fee paid, you are hereby authorized and requested to charge and/or credit Deposit Account No. 04-1105, as necessary, for the correct payment of all fees which may be due in connection with the filing and consideration of this communication.

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